

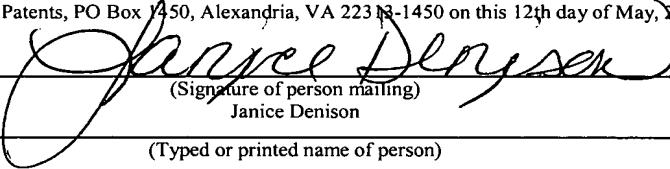


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed April 30, 2004, Applicants answer as follows.

Remarks

Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-36, 39-47, and 50-52 drawn to methods of identifying or screening an agent) with traverse. It is respectfully submitted that it would not be an undue burden on the Examiner to search all of the claims of this application at once. All of the claims are drawn to methods of identifying agents, pharmaceutical compositions comprising such agents, or methods of treatment using such agents. As such, it would not be an undue burden upon the Examiner to search all claims simultaneously.